## **SENATE BILL No. 173**

### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 32-30-6-7.

**Synopsis:** Nuisance actions. Requires a court to award reasonable costs and attorney's fees to an agricultural or industrial operation that successfully defends a nuisance action.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in this style type. Also, the word NEW will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning property.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 32-30-6-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.82-2005,
2	SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 7. (a) An action to abate or enjoin a nuisance may
4	be brought by any person whose:
5	(1) property is injuriously affected; or

- (1) property is injuriously affected; or
- (2) personal enjoyment is lessened; by the nuisance.
- (b) A civil action to abate or enjoin a nuisance may also be brought by:
- (1) an attorney representing the county in which a nuisance exists;
  - (2) the attorney of any city or town in which a nuisance exists.
- (c) A county, city, or town that brings a successful action under this section (or IC 34-1-52-2 or IC 34-19-1-2 before their repeal) to abate or enjoin a nuisance caused by the unlawful dumping of solid waste is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees incurred in bringing the action.

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1	(d) A court shall award:
2	(1) a forestry operation;
3	(2) an agricultural operation; or
4	(3) an industrial operation;
5	that successfully defends an action under this section is entitled to
6	reasonable costs and attorney's fees incurred in defending the action.

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